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1. IMMEDIATELY ON RECEIPT OF REFTTEL, I CONTACTED
GENERAL VIOLA SEEKING APPOINTMENT FOR TODAY, MAY 78.
VIOLA AND I MET THIS MORNING IN HIS OFFICE. SALIENT POINTS
OF CONVERSATION FOLLOW:

2. I EXPLAINED TO VIOLA OF MY INSTRUCTIONS TO SEEK
A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT VIDELA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I
SAID TO VIOLA THAT I WOULD CONTACT THE FONOFF FOR AN
APPOINTMENT, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF HE WOULD ASK THE
PRESIDENT TO SUGGEST TO THE FONOFF THAT MY REQUEST FOR AN
APPOINTMENT SHOULD RECEIVE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION ON MONDAY,
MAY 29.

3. ACCORDING TO VIOLA, THE PRESIDENT HAS A FULL
SCHEDULE FOR MONDAY MORNING BUT THAT HE WILL MAKE ROOM TO
MEET WITH ME LATE MONDAY AFTERNOON.

4. VIOLA WAS NOT TOLD OF THE CONTENTS OF FLASH STATE
134918. HE WAS TOLD THAT MY REQUEST FOR A PRESIDENTIAL
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APPOINTMENT DEALT WITH NEWSOM VISIT.

5. I MET WITH GENERAL SURUT AND ADMIRAL SCHULLER THIS

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MORNING. I OUTLINED TO THEM THE GENERAL CONTENTS OF REFTEL. INASMUCH AS THEY MEMBERS OF THE TEAM, I FELT THEY SHOULD BE KEPT UP TO DATE ON THE STATUS OF THE MISSION AND THAT REFTEL COULD BE READ BY THEM IN MY OFFICE. THEY APPRECIATED THE DEPARTMENT'S POSITIVE ACTION. THEIR REPORT ON THEIR FOLLOWUP MEETINGS FOLLOWS LATER TODAY.

6. AFTER MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT ON MONDAY, I SHALL TRANSMIT HIS REACTION NIACT IMMEDIATE.
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